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SUBJ: IVORY COAST, GUINEA, SENEGAL RECONCILIATION SUMMIT:
TOGOLESE ROLE

REF: STATE 63433

1. MARCH 18 MONROVIA SUMMIT TO RECONCILE PRESIDENTS
SEKOU TOURE, PEOPOLD SENGHOR, AND HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY HAS
BEEN REPORTED IN TOGOLESE PRESS WITHOUT COMMENT ON ANY GOT
ROLE IN THE BRINGING ABOUT OF THE MEETING. IN FACT, IT IS NOT CLEAR
WHAT ROLE TOGO IS PLAYING IN PRESIDENT TOLBERT'S ORGANIZATION
OF THE MONROVIA SUMMIT. HOWEVER, THE CHARACTERIZATION
OF EYADEMA AS A WITNESS AT A MORE-OR-LESS SHOTGUN WEDDING
IN CONAKRY 471 APPEARS APT.

2. THE RECONCILIATION EFFORT, NEVERTHELESS, IS ENTIRELY
CONSISTENT WITH THE BASIC THRUST OF TOGO'S FOREIGN
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POLICY, WHICH IS TO SEEK TO FOSTER DIALOGUE AND A
REDUCTION OF TENSIONS BETWEEN AFRICAN STATES. TOGOLESE-
GUINEAN RELATIONS HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY MAINTAINED AND
EYADEMA UNDOUBTEDLY VIEWS THE RE-INTEGRATION OF GUINEA
IN A RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER FRANCOPHONE STATES AS A
MEANS OF REDUCING GUINEAN DEPENDENCE ON THE SOVIET UNION
AND THEREBY DIMINISHING SOVIET INFLUENCE IN WEST AFRICA.

3. AS OPPORTUNITY AFFORDS ITSELF, AMBASSADOR WILL
TAKE INITIATIVE TO SIGNAL US SUPPORT FOR GUINEA'S
EFFORTS AT RECONCILIATION WITH ITS NEIGHBORS.
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